(b) the names of the NGOs applied for permission alongwith the letter of sanction received from the Foreign Funding Agency for collecting Foreign Funds under FCRA;

(c) whether the activities of foreign funding agencies have been found to be against the national interest;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by Government against foreign funding agencies working against the national interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) There is no blacklist of association registered under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA), 1976. However, as and when, complaints relating to the violation of provisions of FCRA against associations come to the notice of the Government, appropriate action is taken against such associations under the Act. Such actions may include (i) prohibiting the association from receiving foreign contribution, (ii) placing the association in the Prior Permission category, (iii) prosecuting the association in a court of law and (iv) freezing the bank accounts of the association. In case, associations are found to be indulging in serious violations such as misappropriation or diversion of foreign contribution for purposes other than the stated objectives of the association, the case is referred to Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for a detailed investigation and prosecution, if necessary. Violations which are unintentional and not of a serious nature are condoned under the previsions of Section 31 of the Act.

On the basis of various complaints received and inquiries made, 44 associations have been prohibited from receiving foreign contribution, 26 Associations have been placed in Prior Permission category and bank accounts of 11 Associations have been frozen. A list of associations against which action has been taken for violation of various provisions of the Act, is available on Ministry's website: http://mha.nic.in/fcra.htm. Cases of 17 associations have been referred to CBI for detailed investigation.

(b) to (e) Associations seeking prior Permission for receiving foreign contribution from a foreign source are required to submit a commitment letter from the donor agency specifying the amount of the foreign contribution to be received and the purpose for which it is proposed to be utilized. Such permission is granted after carrying out a verification of the antecedents and activities of the recipient organization. In case, the amount of foreign contribution proposed to be received is above a certain threshold limit, a detailed verification of the antecedents of the donor agency is also carried out. If after due verification, substantive inputs are received against a particular donor agency suggesting its involvement in activities prejudicial to the national interest or its funding NGOs indulging in anti-India propaganda/activities abroad, prior permission for receipt of foreign contribution from such donor agencies is denied. The State-wise list of NGO's granted prior permission under the FCRA is available on Ministry's website: http:www.mha.nic.in/fcra.htm.

Non release of approved funds to Gujarat under MPF

529. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has not been releasing approved amount of funds to Gujarat under the scheme for Modernisation of Police Force (MPF);

(b) whether it is also a fact that components of Mega City Policing and Desert Area Policing have been clubbed for grant under the scheme MPF;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government is considering keeping in view the terrorism scenario in Gujarat, release of adequate funds separately for Mega City Policing and Desert Area Policing; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) An amount of Rs.137.27 crore was released to the State Government of Gujarat during the last three financial years *i.e.* 2005-08 to 2007-08, under the Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces. The year-wise details are given below:-

Sl.No.	Year	Amount released (Rs. in crore)
1	2005-06	39.85
2	2006-07	45.52
3	2007-08	51.90
	TOTAL	137.27

During the year 2008-09, plan to the tune of Rs.44.57 crore has been approved. This includes Rs.32.33 crore Central share, against which an amount of Rs.6.67 crore was released on 30-04-2008. However, the balance amount could not be released due to non-receipt of utilization certificate from the State Government. The utilization certificate dated 10th October, 2008 issued by Government of Gujarat in respect of Central releases made upto 2006-07 has now been received and release of remaining Central funds for 2008-09 is in process.

(b) and (e) Mega City Policing and Desert Area Policing are integral components of the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces. There is no separate scheme to fund Mega City Policing and Desert Area Policing.

Creation of federal agency to deal with federal crimes

530. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of recent bomb blasts in the capital and elsewhere, Government proposes to create a federal agency to deal with federal crimes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the attempts by the previous Government to create such an agency and the reasons to shelve the plans;

(d) the main apprehension of State Governments who have opposed reation of such an agency; and